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AMENDMENTS TO LB 160

Strike the original section and insert the following

- 2 new sections:
- 3 "Section 1. (1) The County Government Task Force is
- 4 created to examine Nebraska's county government structure, both
- 5 revenue and spending, and overall government structure with an
- 6 emphasis on whether regional services would be more efficient.
- 7 (2) The task force shall consist of four members of the
- 8 Legislature appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative
- 9 Council and the following members appointed by the Governor: (a)
- 10 One county official from each of the three congressional districts,
- 11 with at least one county-wide elected official and at least one
- 12 county commissioner or supervisor and (b) one member of the public
- 13 from each of the three congressional districts. The appointments
- 14 shall be made by June 15, 2005. In addition, the chairperson of
- 15 the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the
- 16 Legislature and the executive director of the Nebraska Association
- 17 of County Officials shall serve as ex officio members of the task
- 18 force. The Governor shall appoint the chairperson of the task
- 19 force from among the appointed members. Members of the task force
- 20 other than the members of the Legislature shall be reimbursed for
- 21 their actual and necessary expenses incurred while serving as
- 22 members of the task force as provided in sections 81-1174 to
- 23 81-1177.
- 24 (3) The task force shall examine all of the services

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- 1 provided at the county level and their purpose, role, function, and
- 2 necessity.
- 3 (4) The task force may include other lay, professional,
- 4 organizational, and governmental representatives in analyzing and
- 5 developing a report summarizing any recommendations for (a) the
- 6 restructure of government and (b) amendments to the Constitution of
- 7 Nebraska with respect to counties.
- 8 (5) The Legislative Fiscal Analyst and appropriate
- 9 committee staff shall serve as the staff for the task force.
- 10 (6) The task force shall present a report to the
- 11 Legislature no later than December 15, 2005. The report may
- 12 include proposed legislation for the Legislature to consider during
- 13 the 2006 legislative session.
- 14 Sec. 2. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
- 15 when passed and approved according to law.".